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## FOREWORD

This report provides narrative and graphic data covering the farm program accomplishments of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in the State of Virginia during 1974.

We hope this information will be useful to persons interested in the work being done by this agency of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Sincere appreciation is extended to county and community ASC committeemen, county office personnel, representatives of other agricultural agencies, farmers, and farm organizations who contributed to the success of farm programs in 1974.

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## SECTION I - ADMINISTRATION OF ASCS PROGRAMS

The Virginia State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) Committee in 1974 consisted of three farmer members: Delman R. Carr, Chairman, Clarence C. Dunford, Clarence L. Tardy, and Dr. M. F. Ellmore, Director, Agricultural and Natural Resources, VPI and SU Extension Division. The three farmer members are appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture. The State ASC committee is responsible for the efficient and orderly operation of county and community ASC committees, county ASCS offices, and county employees within the State in accordance with applicable regulations and instructions. The committee also determines program and administrative policies as authorized by applicable regulations, instructions, and procedures. The execution of such policies is carried out by State and county employees under the direction of the State Executive Director.

The State Executive Director, Manlon K. Rudy, is assisted in the administration of the ASCS programs in 93 counties and 6 cities by program specialists, the Administrative Division, and eight district directors who act as liaison between the State and county ASCS offices in their respective districts.

The county ASC committee, acting through community committeemen and other personnel, is responsible for carrying out ASCS programs in the county. The county ASC committee is composed of three elected farmer members, consisting of a chairman, vice chairman and regular member. The Extension Agent, Agriculture, also serves as an ex officio member of the county committee. Members are elected on a rotated basis with one member being elected each year for a three-year term. A county executive director is employed by the county committee, subject to standards and qualifications furnished by the State committee, to carry out the policies and decisions of the committee, to efficiently administer all operations performed by the county office, to hire qualified employees, to work closely with the district director, and to serve the public in a faithful impartial manner. Committeemen are elected each year by farmers who are of legal voting age and who have an interest in a farm as owner, tenant, or sharecropper, and who are participating or are eligible to participate in one or more of the programs administered by the ASCS. A person not of legal voting age may vote if he is in charge of the supervision and conduct of the farming operation on an entire farm.

Candidates for community committeemen are first selected by nominating petitions for persons eligible and willing to serve. A petition nominating a person as a candidate must be signed by three eligible voters in the community. In the event nominating petitions are received for less than six candidates, the incumbent community committee completes the slate of nominees. Also, when less than six candidates are nominated by petition in communities having at least eight percent minority

members and petitions do not nominate at least one minority member, one is selected by the community committee when completing the slate of persons to be placed on the ballot. The person with the highest number of votes in the election becomes chairman of the community committee, the person with the second highest becomes vice chairman, and the regular member is that person with the third highest number of votes.

The three members of each elected community committee assemble in a county convention for the purpose of electing one member of the county committee for a three-year term and a first and second alternate member. Other vacancies on the county committee that may have been caused by resignation or deaths during the previous year are also filled at the same time for the term that is vacant.

A community committee has the responsibility of helping the county committee keep farmers informed about ASCS programs, assists in the determination of farm allotments, aids in program sign-up, gives advice and suggestions as applicable to farmers in its community, and helps develop program recommendations for submission to the State committee.

The following tabulation shows the results of the election held on December 2, 1974. The mail ballot method was used in all counties.

#### COMMUNITY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

County	No. of Eligible Voters	Number Voting	Percent Voting
Accomack	1,289	366	28
Albemarle	1,820	426	23
Alleghany	585	191	33
Amelia	1,609	571	36
Amherst	1,511	336	22
Appomattox	1,505	453	30
Augusta	2,691	766	29
Bath	350	152	43
Bedford	3,099	647	21
Bland	738	283	38
Botetourt	1,450	468	32
Brunswick	3,592	1,229	34
Buchanan	805	387	48
Buckingham	1,653	522	32
Campbell	2,547	807	32
Caroline	1,038	254	25
Carroll	3,050	724	24
Charles City	399	79	20
Charlotte	1,833	686	37

## Community Committee Elections (Continued)

County	No. of Eligible Voters	Number Voting	Percent Voting
Chesapeake (City)	1,153	287	25
Chesterfield	663	189	29
Clarke	756	244	32
Craig	565	205	36
Culpeper	1,232	290	24
Cumberland	1,285	417	33
Dickenson	803	418	52
Dinwiddie	2,168	590	27
Essex	876	164	19
Fairfax	551	81	15
Fauquier	1,658	377	23
Floyd	2,652	661	25
Fluvanna	1,500	294	20
Franklin	4,015	917	23
Frederick	1,297	390	30
Giles	699	221	32
Gloucester	690	186	27
Goochland	1,184	465	39
Grayson	2,209	776	35
Green	503	145	29
Greensville	1,597	475	30
Halifax	7,345	2,125	29
Hanover	1,716	468	27
Henrico	416	102	25
Henry	1,288	380	30
Highland	813	327	40
Isle of Wight	1,068	491	46
James City	204	66	32
King and Queen	780	207	27
King George	674	155	23
King William	512	157	31
Lancaster	753	211	28
Lee	4,843	1,711	35
Loudoun	1,306	349	27
Louisa	1,728	321	19
Lunenburg	2,142	720	34
Madison	920	297	32
Mathews	884	267	30
Mecklenburg	4,133	1,291	31
Middlesex	683	328	48
Montgomery	1,177	341	29
Nansemond	1,429	401	28

## Community Committee Elections (Continued)

	No. of Eligible Voters	Number Voting	Percent Voting
Nelson	1,086	331	31
New Kent	383	123	32
Northampton	467	167	36
Northumberland	1,482	382	26
Nottoway	1,250	368	29
Orange	814	274	34
Page	1,032	284	28
Patrick	3,104	1,086	35
Pittsylvania	8,310	2,473	30
Powhatan	732	115	16
Prince Edward	1,518	741	49
Prince George	734	282	38
Prince William	634	146	23
Pulaski	801	211	26
Rappahannock	584	193	33
Richmond	746	175	23
Roanoke	706	164	23
Rockbridge	1,247	495	40
Rockingham	4,166	843	20
Russell	3,445	1,360	40
Scott	5,852	1,906	33
Shenandoah	1,693	403	24
Smyth	2,499	925	37
Southampton	1,715	1,063	62
Spotsylvania	993	208	21
Stafford	579	113	20
Surry	957	413	43
Sussex	1,465	555	38
Tazewell	1,652	628	38
Virginia Beach (City)	804	189	24
Warren	640	239	37
Washington	5,333	1,876	35
Westmoreland	1,053	211	20
Wise	784	269	34
Wythe	1,757	494	28
York	128	45	35
State Totals	155,579	47,603	31

# CURRENT LIST OF COUNTY OFFICES AND COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS

<u>County</u>	<u>Name of County Executive Director</u>	<u>Address of County Office</u>	<u>Area Code</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Accomack	Richard A. Downing	Box 68, Accomac 23301	804	787-3581
Albemarle	James E. Maxey	Room 23, P.O. Building Charlottesville 22901	804	295-1648
Alleghany	Mrs. Jean M. Nicol	Box 563, Covington 24426	703	965-9176
Amelia	Larry W. Duty	Box 295, Amelia 23002	804	561-2147
Amherst	W. A. Little	Box 130, Amherst 24521	804	946-8861
Appomattox	J. N. Jennings	Box 308, Appomattox 24522	804	352-5283
Augusta	Hubert C. Doughty	701 D Street, Staunton 24401	703	886-5441
Bath	P. Walter Williams, Jr.	Box 145, Warm Springs 24484	703	839-2712
Bedford	Miss Brenda K. Sublett	Box 145, Bedford 24523	703	586-9646
Bland	Harold R. Pruett	Box 146, Bland 24315	703	688-3742
Botetourt	Joseph G. Kinzie, Jr.	Box 75, Fincastle 24090	703	473-2731
Brunswick	Rawleigh G. Clary	Box 166, Lawrenceville 23868	804	848-2223
Buchanan	Miss Myrtle J. Fields	Box 624, Grundy 24614	703	935-2581
Buckingham	James F. McDaniel, Jr.	Box 135, Buckingham 23921	804	969-4214
Campbell	Mrs. Sarah S. Hankins	Box 36, Rustburg 24588	804	332-6640

<u>County</u>	<u>Name of County Executive Director</u>	<u>Address of County Office</u>	<u>Area Code</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Caroline	Mrs. Lillie C. Proctor	Box 425, Bowling Green 22427	804	633-6733
Carroll	Joel L. Hill	Box 328, Hillsville 24343	703	728-2924
Charles City	R. Sanford Durrette, Jr.	P.O. Box 186, Providence Forge 23140	804	966-2222
Charlotte	Charles O. Newton	Charlotte C. H. 23923	804	542-5121
Chesapeake (City)	George W. Walker, Jr.	Civic Center, 300 Cedar Road Chesapeake 23320	804	547-2050
Chesterfield	C. Donal Breeding	P.O. Box AE, Chester 23831	804	748-4161
Clarke	Mrs. Jo Anne B. Troup	P.O. Box 112, Berryville 22611	703	955-1193
Craig	Mrs. Geraldine S. Farrier	Box 217, New Castle 24127	703	864-5451
Culpeper	Robert G. Apperson	604 S. Main Street, Culpeper 22701	703	825-9522
Cumberland	Robert L. Rigsby, Jr.	P.O. Box 127, Cumberland 23040	804	492-2711
Dickenson	Mrs. Christine M. Carpenter	Box 680, Clintwood 24228	703	926-8181
Dinwiddie	James E. Goodwyn	P.O. Box 275, Dinwiddie 23841	804	469-4211
Essex	Mrs. Ella Margaret Owen Allen	Box 669, Tappahannock 22560	804	443-3571
Fairfax	John M. York	150B South Catoctin Circle, Room 203 Leesburg 22075	703	777-3261
Fauquier	Mrs. Frances P. Gilbert	46 Main Street, Warrenton 22186	703	347-4402
Floyd	M. Glenn Wilson	Box 37, Floyd 24091	703	745-2638

<u>County</u>	<u>Name of County Executive Director</u>	<u>Address of County Office</u>	<u>Area Code</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Fluvanna	Thomas W. Payne	P.O. Box 121, Palmyra 22963	804	589-8612
Franklin	Charles C. Wright	Box 419, Rocky Mount 24151	703	483-5232
Frederick	Mrs. Virginia B. McClure	2400 Valley Ave., Winchester 22601	703	667-3231
Giles	Ted J. Johnson, Sr.	Law Building, Pearisburg 24134	703	921-3051
Gloucester	Mrs. Edith M. Norfolk	Box 225, Gloucester 23061	804	693-2691
Goochland	H. Tucker Hill, Jr.	Box 80, Goochland 23063	804	556-6651
Grayson	Guy W. Halsey	Box 157, Independence 24348	703	773-4512
Greene	Roger M. Seale	P.O. Box 128, Stanardsville 22973	804	985-2323
Greensville	James S. Ferguson	P.O. Box 712, Emporia 23847	804	634-2462
Halifax	Douglas B. Robbins	Box 728, Halifax 24558	804	476-2568
Hanover	Michael D. Wiblin	P.O. Box 306, Ashland 23005	804	798-8515
Henrico	R. Sanford Durrette, Jr.	3810 Nine Mile Rd., Richmond 23223	804	222-3904
Henry	T. S. Law, Jr.	15 Cleveland Ave. 2A Martinsville 24112	703	632-3164
Highland		Box 33, Monterey 24465	703	468-3310
Isle of Wight	Jack D. Gwaltney	Isle of Wight 23397	804	357-4701
James City	Mrs. Marion H. Adams	P.O. Box 7, Toano 23168	804	564-3400

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King and Queen	Richard C. Green	Walkerton 23177	804	769-3846
King George	Martin E. Smith, Sr.	Sealston 22547	804	775-2691
King William	Richard C. Green	Walkerton 23177	804	769-3846
Lancaster	Miss Audrie V. Farley	Box 144, Lancaster 22503	804	462-4131
Lee	Robert P. Brockman	Box 127, Jonesville 24263	703	346-1531
Loudoun	John M. York	150B South Catoctin Circle, Room 203 Leesburg 22075	703	777-3261
Louisa	Donald S. Gallihugh	Box 366, Louisa 23093	703	967-0091
Lunenburg	J. C. Bledsoe	Box 540, Kenbridge 23944	804	676-8093
Madison	W. W. White	P.O. Box 177, Madison 22727	703	948-4465
Mathews	Mrs. Elizabeth H. Sibley	Box 464, Mathews 23109	804	725-3411
Mecklenburg	Herbert A. Hines	Box 160, Boydton 23917	804	738-6577
Middlesex	Mrs. Marjorie D. Robins	Box 185, Saluda 23149	804	758-2133
Montgomery	W. Terry Altizer	Box 567, Christiansburg 24073	703	382-3961
Nansemond	Steve H. Butler, Jr.	Box 248, Suffolk 23434	804	539-6141
Nelson	W. A. Little	Lovington 22949	804	263-5121
New Kent	R. Sanford Durrette, Jr.	P.O. Box 186, Providence Forge 23140	804	966-2222

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Northampton		Eastville 23347	804	678-5791
Northumberland	J. W. Lampkin	Box 138, Heathsville 22473	804	580-3941
Nottoway	W. Ray Smart	Nottoway 23955	804	645-9041
Orange	Mrs. Ruth H. Taylor	Box 268, Orange 22960	703	672-1638
Page	Thomas L. Jennings	101-105 S. Court St., Luray 22835	703	743-5294
Patrick	John F. Clark	Box 515, Stuart 24171	703	694-7256
Pittsylvania	Warren D. Price	Box 400, Chatham 24531	804	432-9455
Powhatan	C. Donal Breeding	Box 115, Powhatan 23139	804	598-3044
Prince Edward	Donald C. Gantt	Box 548, Farmville 23901	804	392-4906
Prince George	Harry D. Millner	P.O. Box 38, Prince George 23875	804	733-4098
Prince William	Mrs. Frances P. Gilbert	46 Main St., Warrenton 22186	703	347-4402
Pulaski	Mrs. Frances C. Staples	P.O. Box 390, Pulaski 24301	703	980-1241
Rappahannock	John G. Ranson	Box 68, Washington 22747	703	675-3616
Richmond	Charles M. Swann	Box 346, Warsaw 22572	804	333-6744
Roanoke		P.O. Box 962, Salem 24153	703	366-2215
Rockbridge	Mrs. Margaret B. Wallin	Box 787, Lexington 24450	703	463-2324
Rockingham	Oren S. Halterman	Rt. 6, Box 180B, Harrisonburg 22801	703	434-4171

<u>County</u>	<u>Name of County Executive Director</u>	<u>Address of County Office</u>	<u>Area Code</u>	<u>Telephone Number</u>
Russell	James P. Gilmer	Box 7, Lebanon 24266	703	889-1321
Scott	Franklin E. Bailey	Box 157, Gate City 24251	703	386-7413
Shenandoah	Joe B. Wightman	Box 506, Woodstock 22664	703	459-2230
Smyth	Buford R. Blevins, Jr.	Box 190, Marion 24354	703	783-7811
Southampton	Donald A. Davis	Box 7, Courtland 23837	804	653-3331
Spotsylvania		Box 136, Spotsylvania 22553	703	582-5762
Stafford	Martin E. Smith, Sr.	Sealston 22547	703	775-2691
Surry	John R. Huber	Box 97, Surry 23883	804	294-3181
Sussex	Amos D. Dunn	Box 1338, Sussex 23884	804	246-2286
Tazewell	George R. Hudson	Box 328, Tazewell 24651	703	988-4300
Virginia Beach	William A. Dawley	Box 6151, Virginia Beach 23456	804	427-1717
Warren	Mrs. Linda P. Henry	Box 1171, Front Royal 22630	703	635-2826
Washington	Everette E. Fuqua	Federal Building, Abingdon 24210	703	628-2433
Westmoreland	John C. Price	P.O. Box 97, Montross 22520	804	493-4493
Wise	Mrs. Minnie J. Archer	Box 240, Wise 24293	703	328-3936
Wythe	John S. Moody	Box 159, Wytheville 24382	703	228-4911
York	Mrs. Marion H. Adams	P.O. Box 7, Toano 23168	804	564-3400

## COUNTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TRAINEE PROGRAM

The County Executive Director Trainee Program is to insure that adequately trained, knowledgeable personnel are available to county committees when needed to fill county executive director positions. The State committee authorized the position of "county executive director trainee" in order to provide a sufficient number of trained personnel to fill vacancies.

Applicants must be citizens of the United States. They must be of good character and have a temperament and personality suitable to represent the county committee in dealing with farmers, businessmen, and others. Candidates must have graduated from an accredited four year college or university with a bachelor degree or obtain eligibility through the CED Trainee Examination. They must also have one year of farm background, farm management experience, or responsible agri-business experience.

Trainees are employed on a regular appointment with a minimum training period of 26 weeks. Mileage and per diem are paid as well as other fringe benefits afforded county employees.

The trainee program is designed to provide a well balanced, adaptable program to achieve uniformity of training for candidates nation-wide. Trainees spend four weeks at the ASCS Management Institute, located at Ohio State University. The remaining 22 weeks involve on-the-job training in selected training counties located throughout the State of Virginia. The training counties provide the trainee an opportunity to observe operations in various size counties as well as to study the varying types of agriculture in Virginia.

Each trainee is given guidance and instructions on the following:

1. Detailed program procedure on all phases of ASCS.
2. ASCS management practices and philosophy.
3. Administrative and personnel activities and procedures.
4. Use of all business machines used by ASCS offices.
5. Preparation and use of informational media.

The county committee has the final authority for selection of county executive directors. All qualified trainees are referred to county committees for consideration for appointment where vacancy exists. Trainees agree prior to employment in the trainee program to accept employment in any county offering a position.

## County Executive Director Trainee Program (Continued)

Eight trainees were enrolled in this program during 1974. Four trainees were placed in a county executive director position, two are awaiting placement, and two are continuing on the training program.

## SECTION II

### SUMMARY OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### THE 1973 RURAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND THE 1974 RURAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The year 1974 represented the thirty-eighth year that the Federal Government has cooperated with the farmers and ranchers of this Nation in a cost-sharing arrangement to conserve our soil, water, forest land, and wildlife resources.

In 1974, two conservation programs were administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service; namely, the 1973 Rural Environmental Assistance Program (REAP) and the 1974 Rural Environmental Conservation Program (RECP).

On March 12, 1974, the 1973 Rural Environmental Assistance Program (REAP) was reinstated following a U. S. District Court ruling. The total authorized funding level for the reinstated program was 225.5 million dollars. All conservation practices and environmental protection practices contained in the 1973 REAP were offered for cost-sharing with farmers through December 28, 1974. This program was directed toward solving pollution problems in addition to carrying out conservation measures that help to provide purer water, cleaner air, and a better quality of life for all people.

The 1974 Rural Environmental Conservation Program (RECP) was a new program offered for the first time in 1974. The program was designed to improve the quality of life for all people by reducing erosion and siltation of our streams and lakes; conserving the land and related natural resources; providing permanent protection to areas subject to erosion; providing food and habitat for our fish and wildlife; and encouraging the development, management and protection of nonindustrial private forest land.

The thrust of the 1974 RECP was total planning for conservation on a farm. Practices authorized contained enduring features designed to protect our resources and increase timber production. Special emphasis has been given to long-term conservation agreements and the Forestry Incentives Program. The 1974 RECP provided for two types of agreements -- either annual or long-term conservation projects. The Soil Conservation Service and the Forest Service provided technical assistance in determining need for the practices and their satisfactory completion.

The purpose of the Forestry Incentives Program (FIP) was to encourage the development, management, and protection of nonindustrial private forest lands. Landowners in the 52 counties designated by the State ASC Committee and the State Forester were authorized to participate in FIP. The participants must have had a forest management plan with the approved practices scheduled to be completed within the program year.

The State conservation programs were developed by the State Development Group consisting of the State committee (including the Director, Agriculture and Natural Resources, VPI and SU Extension Division); the State Conservationist, Soil Conservation Service; the Forest Service official having jurisdiction of farm forestry in the State; and a representative of the Governor of Virginia. The President of the Land Grant College designated representatives to counsel the group in the formulation of the State program. Representatives of the State Soil and Water Conservation Committee, State Supervisor of Vocational Agriculture, The Commissioner of Agriculture and Commerce, the Virginia Division of Forestry, State Cooperative Extension Service, the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, Agricultural Experiment Stations, Farmers Home Administration, and Agricultural Research Service participated in the deliberations on the State program.

In 1974, an Advisory Board was appointed to provide advice and assistance to the State committee and the State Program Development Group. This board consisted of the State Forester, State Conservationist, State Administrator of Water Control Programs, State Wildlife Administrator, Director, Research Division, VPI&SU, and a member of the Virginia State Advisory Committee.

The tables which follow outline the accomplishments of these two programs in Virginia during 1974.

# SUMMARY OF REAP AND RECP PARTICIPATION

County	All Farms		Participating Farms					
	No. Farms	Farmland	*Acres		1973		1974	
			Cropland (1,000 Acres)		Cost-Share Earned	No.	Cost-Share Earned	No.
Accomack	1,499	176,413	84.9	310	72,083	9	3,374	
Albemarle	1,479	322,759	44.2	176	64,276	23	9,977	
Alleghany	494	64,741	7.3	61	13,280	10	3,588	
Amelia	1,212	185,790	41.1	74	33,986	21	7,066	
Amherst	1,158	177,568	27.7	53	30,584	16	4,758	
Appomattox	1,132	197,241	30.3	98	29,010	20	6,204	
Augusta	2,412	336,969	99.0	394	145,152	39	12,834	
Bath	317	101,792	14.5	49	23,729	15	5,476	
Bedford	2,558	324,050	84.0	139	89,435	66	18,173	
Bland	738	123,395	20.4	155	29,184	31	6,597	
Botetourt	1,200	203,253	46.7	171	46,209	31	11,770	
Brunswick	2,449	316,984	59.7	127	63,366	44	31,959	
Buchanan	642	46,829	3.7	60	10,675	18	5,027	
Buckingham	1,415	225,198	42.2	98	39,338	35	11,556	
Campbell	1,768	266,096	56.7	94	37,498	29	10,036	
Caroline	978	164,544	40.7	28	28,356	31	16,145	
Carroll	2,925	215,935	46.9	448	107,524	83	15,794	
Charles City	274	56,424	17.7	10	10,849	7	3,659	
Charlotte	1,539	274,452	54.7	40	24,719	22	6,404	
Chesapeake (City)	857	98,282	63.3	45	19,196	-0-	-0-	
Chesterfield	627	129,295	18.6	46	12,440	16	9,848	
Clarke	548	93,157	38.5	110	33,602	18	9,210	
Craig	493	78,263	13.2	78	14,537	15	3,214	
Culpeper	1,144	153,332	61.2	140	49,463	12	5,865	
Cumberland	1,031	136,000	27.3	70	27,519	21	7,706	
Dickenson	691	33,225	3.5	78	20,249	11	4,697	

SUMMARY OF REAP AND RECP PARTICIPATION (Continued)

County	All Farms			Participating Farms			
	No. Farms	Farmland	*Acres Cropland (1,000 Acres)	1973		1974	
				No.	Cost-Share Earned	No.	Cost-Share Earned
Dinwiddie	1,585	206,413	50.5	143	40,862	24	14,763
Essex	751	117,695	40.4	33	23,384	15	8,413
Fairfax	507	40,603	9.9	18	11,094	1	43
Fauquier	1,729	252,086	122.8	158	104,400	27	15,510
Floyd	2,361	231,441	28.5	278	68,811	38	8,041
Fluvanna	1,242	162,876	20.7	70	24,234	20	6,776
Franklin	2,896	361,147	78.7	177	60,449	45	7,313
Frederick	1,235	192,129	49.6	155	57,179	32	16,627
Giles	687	104,050	13.8	130	31,189	11	1,694
Gloucester	499	46,386	24.9	20	17,120	17	8,440
Goochland	1,282	143,242	38.0	68	29,380	30	10,150
Grayson	2,188	264,100	32.6	291	80,777	75	17,791
Greene	365	42,750	14.7	71	19,583	7	3,865
Greensville	810	141,254	43.1	54	43,859	40	25,121
Halifax	3,983	488,281	138.8	145	50,832	58	19,298
Hampton (City)	20	2,224	0.3	1	16	-0-	-0-
Hanover	1,624	142,169	65.2	114	48,549	19	11,808
Henrico	362	47,339	22.8	20	10,232	11	3,607
Henry	1,269	129,887	18.7	90	25,503	8	2,364
Highland	742	173,389	14.7	75	30,120	26	6,202
Isle of Wight	944	160,543	66.4	174	50,228	11	4,911
James City	213	21,580	11.4	7	5,614	3	1,088
King and Queen	727	97,589	32.4	28	17,922	32	16,766
King George	604	77,346	23.5	20	16,111	7	3,487
King William	474	101,555	34.2	17	12,760	12	11,065
Lancaster	674	45,834	21.6	27	14,319	7	2,387
Lee	3,323	360,731	51.0	264	59,346	25	11,059
Loudoun	1,338	263,885	103.2	102	82,635	23	14,905

# SUMMARY OF REAP AND RECP PARTICIPATION (Continued)

County	All Farms			Participating Farms			
	No. Farms	Farmland	*Acres Cropland (1,000 Acres)	No.	Cost-Share Earned	No.	Cost-Share Earned
Louisa	1,525	156,871	54.1	132	37,567	7	3,317
Lunenburg	1,620	223,270	46.3	98	44,052	47	23,894
Madison	905	152,300	39.3	107	36,170	17	6,269
Mathews	664	19,592	9.9	28	10,802	7	3,480
Mecklenburg	2,645	335,021	86.5	144	58,177	33	13,219
Middlesex	608	58,917	21.4	34	11,943	16	7,994
Montgomery	1,043	211,012	24.2	179	50,569	24	7,671
Nansemond	1,446	160,384	66.1	115	47,536	22	7,273
Nelson	1,065	190,098	24.5	109	33,306	18	4,758
New Kent	256	55,470	11.3	15	9,513	6	3,577
Newport News (City)	6	1,009	0.5	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
Northampton	465	72,556	50.0	106	21,675	4	633
Northumberland	1,222	96,954	39.8	31	29,013	25	11,202
Nottoway	1,061	134,976	36.7	80	28,676	23	11,845
Orange	817	152,724	43.2	110	41,965	16	11,125
Page	1,003	133,000	37.5	108	35,671	13	5,215
Patrick	2,150	209,352	32.8	140	40,262	36	6,009
Pittsylvania	4,418	581,806	161.2	223	111,909	51	20,583
Powhatan	606	101,808	24.5	48	19,047	7	4,290
Prince Edward	1,275	167,142	47.6	48	34,251	34	8,928
Prince George	580	79,028	32.4	73	21,423	9	5,867
Prince William	563	78,260	28.4	33	16,038	-0-	-0-
Pulaski	751	137,900	20.0	109	39,545	15	6,091
Rappahannock	580	110,457	19.2	66	25,585	11	7,566
Richmond	821	84,989	27.4	29	17,142	24	12,922
Roanoke	673	69,471	16.0	36	10,413	5	1,553
Rockbridge	1,098	199,095	37.2	236	67,329	20	11,532

# SUMMARY OF REAP AND RECP PARTICIPATION (Continued)

County	All Farms		*Acres Cropland (1,000 Acres)	Participating Farms			
	No. Farms	Farmland		1973		1974	
				No.	Cost-Share Earned	No.	Cost-Share Earned
Rockingham	3,392	301,171	93.2	217	104,477	14	8,307
Russell	2,350	296,600	30.9	431	86,195	37	19,273
Scott	3,961	296,362	36.3	227	55,371	34	12,409
Shenandoah	1,674	148,516	56.8	186	67,933	36	8,636
Smyth	1,965	171,742	26.2	129	43,503	24	10,993
Southampton	1,250	317,531	111.9	390	91,404	15	15,021
Spotsylvania	951	115,778	31.7	37	17,562	7	4,729
Stafford	527	58,710	11.8	24	15,468	6	1,848
Surry	494	107,109	41.3	33	31,979	18	21,130
Sussex	793	207,791	53.4	187	41,843	26	28,366
Tazewell	1,466	215,292	33.6	205	66,269	22	12,575
Virginia Beach (City)	664	67,076	64.9	39	23,159	1	340
Warren	534	75,920	12.7	63	25,598	10	4,088
Washington	4,180	308,010	55.4	407	108,522	58	18,680
Westmoreland	944	106,897	43.0	46	30,300	26	9,176
Wise	706	35,560	6.3	51	13,067	12	6,420
Wythe	1,433	198,783	48.4	223	66,416	38	12,603
York	96	5,195	2.3	5	2,575	-0-	-0-
State Totals	123,260	15,928,016	4,023.0	11,239	3,903,992	2,141	885,838

\* From 1967 Conservation Needs Inventory

# SUMMARY OF RECP PRACTICES - 1974

Practice Name	Practice Number	Number of Counties	Number of Farms	Unit	Extent	Cost-Shares
Establishing Permanent Vegetative Cover	RE-1	73	342	Acres	3,751	146,554
Improving Permanent Vegetative Cover	RE-2	71	540	Acres	8,950	197,105
Planting Trees	RE-3	80	683	Acres	14,951	325,365
Improving a Stand of Forest Trees	RE-4	39	96	Acres	2,409	21,384
Water Impoundment Reservoirs	RE-5	38	107	Number	107	90,360
	RE-5			Acres Served	3,344	
Stripcropping	RE-6	3	3	Acres	41	282
Terrace Systems	RE-7	1	2	Acres Served	14	78
Diversions	RE-8	18	42	Acres Served	592	11,110
Streambank Stabilization	RE-9	18	31	Acres Served	278	7,533
Permanent Wildlife Habitat	RE-10	9	11	Acres	64	2,628
	RE-10			Acres Served	414	
Sediment Retention, Erosion or Water Control Structures	RE-11	8	12	Number	12	7,373
Sediment, Chemical or	RE-11			Acres Served	215	
Water Runoff Control Measures	RE-12	51	245	Acres	543	68,929
Special Conservation Practices	RE-12			Acres Served	2,507	
	S	9	27	Acres Served	883	7,137
State Totals		94				885,838

# SUMMARY OF REAP PRACTICES - 1973

Practice Name	Practice Number	Number of Counties	Number of Farms	Unit	Extent	Cost-Shares
Permanent Cover	A-2	87	947	Acres	8,445	270,214
Liming Materials	A-4-F	47	285	Acres	6,528	34,979
Stripcropping	A-5	2	2	Acres	60	230
Trees or Shrubs	A-7	40	151	Acres	5,182	115,546
Improving or Protecting Permanent Cover	B-1	94	6,702	Acres	117,792	2,011,360
Control of Competitive Shrubs on Range or Pasture	B-3-F	6	50	Acres	868	5,020
Facilities for Livestock Water	B-5	41	159	Number	168	53,371
	B-5			Acres	4,841	
Water Impoundment Reservoirs	B-7	87	732	Number	739	665,975
	B-7			Acres	21,332	
Timber Stand Improvement	B-10	24	64	Acres	2,174	24,862
Control of Noxious Weeds	B-12-F	6	276	Acres	17,273	26,514
	B-12-F			Acres	36,642	
Terrace Systems	C-4	1	2	Acres	11	67
Diversions Terraces, Ditches, or Dikes	C-5	17	45	Acres	501	12,792
Permanent Open Drainage	C-9-F	26	117	Acres	4,044	41,980
Underground Drainage	C-10-F	34	160	Acres	3,014	54,667
Shaping or Land Grading to Permit Drainage	C-11-F	1	1	Acres	13	126
Interim Cover	D-1	49	1,626	Acres	53,605	154,829
Home Gardens	E-5-F	2	4	Acres	5	99
Special Conservation Practices	F-2	14	325	Acres	11,608	43,657
Wildlife Food Plots, Habitat, or Cover	G-1	7	10	Acres	23	588
	G-1			Acres	201	

# SUMMARY OF REAP PRACTICES - 1973 (Continued)

Practice Name	Practice Number	Number of Counties	Number of Farms	Unit	Extent	Cost-Shares
Shallow Water Areas for Wildlife	G-2	1	1	Number	1	1,000
Wildlife Food Plots	G-2			Acres	60	
Animal Waste Storage and Diversion Facilities	G-5	6	9	Acres	43	889
	I-1	39	102	Number	104	179,068
				Animal Units	14,357	
Sediment or Chemical Runoff Control Measures	J-2	25	167	Tons of Waste	186,641	
Excess Water Management Systems	J-2			Acres	436	50,295
Disposal of Farmland Residues Without Burning	J-4	14	199	Acres	1,082	
				Acres	2,848	152,791
	K-1	4	12	Acres	987	3,073
State Totals - Regular		98				3,903,992

### SECTION III - THE APPALACHIAN LAND STABILIZATION AND CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Section 203 of the Appalachian Regional Development Act provides funds for the conservation and stabilization of soil, water, forest, wildlife, and recreation resources in the Appalachian area. The plan for the implementation of this program in Virginia was developed in the Governor's office in cooperation with the United States Department of Agriculture and the Appalachian Regional Commission. Local county ASC committees administered the program at the county level.

Devised to contribute to the over-all economic improvement and social growth of the area, the program authorized funds on a cost-share basis to farmers for practices that would conserve and develop on-farm natural resources. Funds were approved on a three to ten year contract basis allowing one or more years for the completion of the practices. To guide county committees in making approvals, comprehensive farm conservation plans were made with the technical assistance of the Soil Conservation Service and the Virginia Division of Forestry. In allocating funds to individual farmers, county committees considered both financial need and economic potential, as well as conservation requirements for the unit.

In 1974, ASCS continued to service contracts that had been made previously with farmers in Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Russell, Scott, Tazewell and Wise Counties. In addition, there was a continuation of the work in certain watershed areas that was started in 1968. These watersheds are: (1) Clear Fork-Wolf Creek, Bland, Giles and Tazewell Counties; (2) Peak Creek, Pulaski County; (3) Upper Clinch Valley and Headwaters of Clinch River, Tazewell County; and (4) Cedar Creek, Russell County.

#### ALSCP CONTRACTS 1966-1974

County	Allocation	Contracts		Cost-Share Earned
		Number	Acres	
Bland	\$ 78,983	84	3,064	\$ 65,990
Buchanan	37,335	42	1,129	36,850
Dickenson	57,100	68	1,669	57,100
Giles	18,966	15	507	10,221
Lee	107,725	159	4,057	107,725
Pulaski	70,662	74	2,957	63,609
Russell	247,980	213	8,130	213,911
Scott	255,621	109	3,093	248,365
Tazewell	228,120	263	9,927	221,218
Wise	29,277	36	916	29,277
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State Totals	\$1,131,769	1,063	35,449	\$1,054,266

## SECTION IV - THE CROPLAND ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM

The Cropland Adjustment Program is a voluntary program designed to help farmers divert cropland from crops that are in surplus supply to a conservation use under long-term agreements. Land may be taken out of crop production for periods of five to ten years.

Participants receive annual adjustment payments based on the value of crops which otherwise would be produced on the land. Those farmers who agree to permit free public access for hunting and hiking may get an additional per-acre payment.

Funds have not been approved to accept new contracts since 1967. However, funds have been provided to service the contracts approved in 1966 and 1967.

The table which follows outlines the accomplishments for Virginia through the 1974 Cropland Adjustment Program.

In 1974, county committees were delegated authority to approve individual requests for termination or modification of agreements and termination of CAP public access agreements.

### CAP PARTICIPATION

County	Number Agree- ments	Total Diverted Acreages	Annual Adjust- ment Payment	Public Access Payment	Total Annual Payment
Albemarle	2	49	\$ 555	\$ -	\$ 555
Alleghany	7	41	1,164	-	1,164
Amelia	28	296	11,907	-	11,907
Amherst	4	4	421	-	421
Appomattox	56	807	29,622	-	29,622
Augusta	1	20	626	-	626
Bedford	5	13	1,091	-	1,091
Botetourt	3	178	4,840	-	4,840
Brunswick	35	1,003	32,343	791	33,134
Buckingham	33	393	13,231	-	13,231
Campbell	44	656	21,619	78	21,697
Caroline	1	6	467	-	467
Charlotte	22	338	12,485	-	12,485
Chesapeake (City)	2	174	9,964	483	10,447
Chesterfield	5	58	2,828	-	2,828
Clarke	1	41	1,396	-	1,396
Craig	1	5	195	-	195

## CAP Participation (Continued)

County	Number Agree- ments	Total Diverted Acreages	Annual Adjust- ment Payment	Public Access Payment	Total Annual Payment
Culpeper	7	713	\$18,003	\$ -	\$18,003
Cumberland	50	852	29,924	-	29,924
Dinwiddie	11	151	8,695	-	8,695
Essex	3	23	715	-	715
Fauquier	4	184	2,306	-	2,306
Floyd	1	1	123	-	123
Fluvanna	8	70	2,150	-	2,150
Franklin	1	12	325	-	325
Frederick	14	569	7,215	-	7,215
Gloucester	2	16	461	-	461
Goochland	1	2	111	-	111
Greensville	4	236	13,286	-	13,286
Halifax	7	215	14,443	-	14,443
Hanover	3	110	4,006	-	4,006
Henry	1	2	313	-	313
Highland	1	7	127	-	127
King and Queen	5	136	2,599	148	2,747
King George	2	193	4,516	-	4,516
King William	1	43	775	130	905
Lancaster	2	46	1,893	-	1,893
Lee	1	131	4,433	-	4,433
Loudoun	8	644	14,599	-	14,599
Louisa	4	59	1,519	-	1,519
Lunenburg	31	554	25,499	52	25,551
Madison	9	225	5,846	-	5,846
Mathews	1	2	57	-	57
Mecklenburg	11	158	7,544	216	7,760
Montgomery	2	47	1,291	-	1,291
Nansemond	2	60	2,064	-	2,064
Nelson	10	117	3,480	-	3,480
New Kent	1	105	3,032	-	3,032
Northumberland	1	10	155	-	155
Nottoway	33	401	18,249	-	18,249
Orange	2	32	606	-	606
Page	1	6	138	-	138
Patrick	5	60	4,978	-	4,978
Pittsylvania	2	3	747	-	747
Powhatan	5	92	2,639	-	2,639
Prince Edward	63	968	33,160	-	33,160
Prince George	9	223	7,784	-	7,784
Prince William	3	186	1,742	-	1,742
Pulaski	2	1	140	-	140
Rappahannock	1	11	364	-	364

## CAP Participation (Continued)

County	Number Agree- ments	Total Diverted Acreages	Annual Adjust- ment Payment	Public Access Payment	Total Annual Payment
Rockingham	5	135	\$ 2,754	\$ -	\$ 2,754
Shenandoah	5	258	5,608	-	5,608
Southampton	3	184	5,330	-	5,330
Spotsylvania	2	13	236	-	236
Stafford	1	51	578	153	731
Sussex	7	566	22,712	-	22,712
Virginia Beach (City)	1	11	450	-	450
Washington	4	183	4,990	-	4,990
Wise	6	20	797	32	829
Wythe	2	23	526	-	526
State Totals	621	13,202	\$440,787	\$ 2,083	\$442,870

## SECTION V - PRODUCTION ADJUSTMENT PROGRAMS

Acreage allotments, marketing quotas, acreage set-aside and price support payments are the several methods used by ASCS for production adjustment.

Acreage allotments and marketing quotas are authorized for cotton, peanuts, rice, tobacco, and wheat by the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938, as amended. Commodity acreage diversion programs and price support payments were authorized for cotton, feed grains, and wheat for the years 1966 through 1969 by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1965. In October of 1968 this Act was extended to cover the year of 1970. The Agricultural Act of 1970, applicable through 1973, initiated a cropland set-aside approach for participating producers in the voluntary wheat, upland cotton, and feed grain programs (1971-1973 crop years).

The Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973, a four year program designed to attract the farm production needed to meet domestic and foreign demand for food and fiber, originates the concept of guaranteed or "target" prices and deficiency payments for the three commodities - wheat, feed grain, and upland cotton.

These programs were authorized by Congress in an effort to keep production of specific commodities in line with overall demand, and at the same time, provide reasonable income assurance to growers. In general, the programs are designed to adjust production by the amount of acreage produced. Participation in the cotton, feed grain, and wheat programs is voluntary by individual growers. For peanuts and tobacco, compliance with allotments and/or quotas is required by all growers to avoid marketing quota penalties after approval of these programs by a two-thirds majority of growers voting in a referendum for the particular commodity.

Under the Act of 1973, marketing quotas and penalties are suspended for the 1974-1977 crop years for wheat and cotton. The Act also established a \$20,000 limit on the amount of payments that a person could receive annually under each program.

The mechanics of operation of the several commodity programs are described in detail in the introductory statement to the statistical tables for each commodity in the following pages. However, there are several features of these adjustment programs which have general applicability.

Acreage allotments, through apportioning to the individual farms a national acreage considered desirable for planting to a field crop, provide a means of adjusting particular crop supplies closer to national needs. If acreage allotments alone are in effect, farmers who produce the commodity on acreage in excess of their farm acreage allotment are not subject to penalties on the "excess" production of the commodity, but they usually are not eligible for price support.

Marketing quotas are a means of regulating the production and marketing of commodities when supplies become excessive. A national marketing quota is the quantity of a particular commodity that in general will provide adequate and normal supply. This quantity is translated into terms of acreage. The national acreage allotment is apportioned among states, counties and individual farms.

After proclamation of a national marketing quota by the Secretary, quotas are in effect only when approved by a two-thirds majority voting in a referendum.

When quotas are in effect, all producers who are not covered by specified exemptions are subject to monetary penalties on marketings on their excess acreage if the acreage exceeds the farm allotment. Price support privileges are not usually extended to farms with plantings that exceed the allotted acreage. Under a tobacco acreage poundage program, in effect on flue-cured tobacco since 1965, poundage quotas as well as acreage allotments apply when the program is approved in a referendum by the producers. A poundage program is in effect for burley tobacco when approved in a referendum by producers. The Secretary may terminate or increase allotments or quotas as provided by law to meet a national emergency or a material increase in export demand.

Marketing quotas in Virginia applied to the 1974 crops of peanuts, and to burley, Virginia fire-cured, flue-cured, and Virginia sun-cured tobacco.

#### REFERENDUM RESULTS

The table below shows through 1974 how farmers in Virginia voted in the most recent referendums for commodities on which marketing quotas were voted on or in effect in Virginia during the 1974 crop year. The percentage of approval in Virginia, in most cases, was comparable to the national vote.

Commodity	Date of Referendum	Crop Years Covered	Total Votes Cast	Percentage of Approval
Tobacco:				
Burley (mail)	2-25 to 3-1-74	1974-75-76	15,140	97.0
Fire-cured (mail)	2-19 to 2-23-73	1973-74-75	2,656	94.4
Flue-cured	7-17-73	1974-75-76	11,445	97.5
Maryland (mail)	2-25 to 3-1-74	1974-75-76	609	37.1
Sun-cured (mail)	2-22 to 3-1-74	1974-75-76	471	93.8
Peanuts (mail)	12-9 to 12-13-74	1975-76-77	2,917	97.3

# A. PEANUT ALLOTMENTS AND MARKETING QUOTAS

## 1 INTRODUCTION

For peanuts, a national marketing quota is proclaimed each year, regardless of the supply situation. Current legislation provides that the national quota cannot be less than the level which would provide a national acreage allotment of 1,610,000 acres. On December 9 to December 13, 1974, producers approved quotas for the 1975, 1976 and 1977 crops by a majority of 97.4 percent. Proclamation of a 1974 peanut quota of 1,851,000 tons was made on December 13, 1973, and a national allotment set at the minimum of 1,610,000 acres.

A producer who planted within his farm allotment could market all of his peanuts free of penalty and be eligible for the full level of price support. Any producer who had no interest in an allotment farm could plant and market up to, but not over, 1.0 acre of peanuts free of penalty from a non-allotment farm.

Legislation permits the sale or lease of peanut allotments within the same county under certain regulatory conditions. The closing date for making such transfers in Virginia is May 1.

## 2 PEANUT DATA

County	Number Allot- ments <u>1/</u>	Allotted Acreage <u>1/</u>	Harvested Acreage <u>2/</u>	Total Produc- tion <u>2/</u>	Yield (Pounds Per Acre) <u>2/</u>
Brunswick	121	553.9	383.4	633,217	1652
Chesapeake (City)	5	113.2	103.5	271,958	2628
Chesterfield	6	34.0	0	0	0
Dinwiddie	399	3,903.5	3,803.7	9,937,507	2613
Greensville	620	9,897.0	9,790.8	25,574,954	2612
Isle of Wight	837	16,193.8	16,138.5	46,797,833	2900
James City	2	85.7	61.5	127,682	2076
Mathews	1	20.0	0	0	0
Mecklenburg	8	24.2	0	0	0
Nansemond	901	14,792.6	14,702.0	39,239,638	2669
New Kent	1	15.3	15.3	42,162	2756
Northampton	4	122.1	138.7	246,892	1780
Prince George	326	3,798.5	3,552.1	8,999,688	2534
Southampton	1,228	31,316.6	31,399.8	93,617,216	2981
Surry	479	8,689.4	8,616.7	26,693,344	3098
Sussex	695	15,091.4	14,743.9	42,611,205	2890
State Totals	5,633	104,651.2	103,449.9	294,793,296	2850

1/ State Peanut Summary 1/23/74

2/ State Peanut Report 2/11/75

## B. TOBACCO ALLOTMENTS AND MARKETING QUOTAS

### 1 INTRODUCTION

A national quota for each of the five kinds of tobacco produced in Virginia is proclaimed by the Secretary of Agriculture when any of the following conditions exist:

- 1 When the total supply exceeds the reserve supply level (normal supply plus 5 percent), if a national quota has not been previously proclaimed; or
- 2 If a three-year quota previously proclaimed is coming to an end; or
- 3 If the Act has been amended which materially affects allotments or quotas before the end of the period for which quotas are in effect; or
- 4 If quotas previously proclaimed are not in effect because of disapproval by voting in a referendum except where three successive disapprovals have occurred.

Proclamation of tobacco quotas is for three years, with the amount of each year's quota announced annually. Proclamation date for the quota for flue-cured tobacco, which is on both an acreage and poundage basis, must be not later than December 1. For other kinds of tobacco, the date is not later than February 1. The referendum must be held within 30 days following the proclamation.

Quotas seek to limit the marketing of the commodity-during the marketing year by placing penalties of so much per pound of marketings in excess of the quota. For kinds of tobacco other than flue-cured and burley, the actual production from the acreage planted within the farm allotment constitutes the farm marketing quota. Flue-cured tobacco is now operated under an acreage-poundage program which was first approved for the 1965 crop. the marketing quota in pounds is established each year based on the prior year's quota and adjusted to reflect overmarketings and undermarketings from the prior year's crop. The allotment is the acreage required to produce this quota as determined by the established farm yield.

A poundage program for burley tobacco was authorized by legislation approved April 14, 1971, and approved May 4, 1971 in a referendum by the growers for the three crops of 1971-73. In a referendum held in February 1974, burley producers voted to continue the program through the 1976 crop. For the first year (1971) of the poundage program farm marketing quotas were based on the average of each farm's four highest years during the preceding five years multiplied by 95 percent of the 1970 acreage allotment. Subsequent year's farm quotas are related directly to the national quota in pounds.

Provisions of the law permit the lease and transfer of flue-cured tobacco allotments within the county from one to five years in an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the cropland. The closing date for making lease

agreements for flue-cured is November 30. Starting in 1971, burley tobacco producers may lease or transfer burley tobacco poundage quota within the county from one to five years. The pounds that a receiving farm may receive is limited to the smaller of 15,000 pounds or the pounds determined by subtracting the basic marketing quota from the product of the farm yield and 50 percent of the cropland on the farm. These transfers may be effected by the lessee and lessor at either the county office or a designated place on the market at any time of year up through February 15.

Virginia fire-cured and Virginia sun-cured tobacco allotments may be sold or leased for a period of one to five years either within the county or to another county within the State in an amount not to exceed the larger of ten acres or 50 percent of the cropland on the receiving farm. Fire-cured and sun-cured (but not flue-cured) allotments may be transferred between farms by the owner. The closing date for making fire-cured and sun-cured leases or sales was June 1. All tobacco transfer lease or sale agreements are effective only when approved by the county committee

## 2 FIRE-CURED TOBACCO DATA

County	Number Allot- ments <u>1/</u>	Allotted Acreage <u>1/</u>	Harvested Acreage <u>2/</u>	Total Produc- tion <u>2/</u>	Yield (Pounds Per Acre) <u>2/</u>
Amelia	219	416.70	176.43	202,572	1148
Amherst	365	431.23	153.00	143,936	941
Appomattox	622	1,358.38	525.22	725,344	1381
Bedford	526	590.58	218.21	239,998	1100
Brunswick	258	514.02	352.16	382,506	1086
Buckingham	425	756.54	317.09	393,210	1240
Campbell	600	1,125.79	616.15	791,386	1284
Charlotte	576	1,454.60	916.31	1,071,568	1169
Cumberland	361	925.39	334.70	375,168	1121
Dinwiddie	226	300.86	143.35	176,362	1230
Franklin	50	48.47	19.86	21,132	1064
Halifax	10	18.41	89.66	93,236	1040
Henry	1	3.51	2.00	1,308	654
Lunenburg	156	340.65	290.82	339,930	1169
Mecklenburg	10	33.56	35.19	41,550	1181
Nelson	225	344.91	95.44	92,111	965
Nottoway	206	398.60	162.39	201,038	1238
Pittsylvania	43	71.12	71.93	60,904	847
Powhatan	12	15.28	9.77	8,652	886
Prince Edward	600	1,314.22	491.70	579,636	1179
Rockbridge	2	3.86	0	0	0
State Totals	5,493	10,466.68	5,021.38	5,941,547	1183

1/ County Allotment Summary 3/27/74

2/ Production Summary 3/18/75

## 3 BURLEY TOBACCO DATA

County	Number Farms <u>1/</u>	Effective Quota <u>1/</u>	Total Marketings <u>2/</u>
Albemarle	1	2,034	0
Amelia	2	1,131	992
Appomattox	42	42,498	26,480
Bedford	59	68,441	37,599
Bland	88	112,074	75,121
Brunswick	9	11,431	8,848
Buchanan	359	527,941	240,455
Buckingham	75	92,675	59,437
Campbell	23	28,384	26,123
Carroll	7	12,074	8,704
Charlotte	28	48,139	30,462
Cumberland	60	79,173	42,670
Dickenson	299	444,703	147,954
Dinwiddie	1	989	0
Floyd	143	214,466	63,570
Fluvanna	1	898	0
Franklin	2	3,333	1,788
Giles	5	6,230	5,178
Grayson	827	1,011,491	783,670
Halifax	3	3,921	2,124
Lee	3,083	5,019,434	4,480,566
Madison	1	2,581	1,674
Mecklenburg	5	4,276	2,286
Montgomery	41	71,017	24,904
Nelson	1	2,540	0
Nottoway	1	1,750	1,392
Pittsylvania	2	2,459	1,130
Powhatan	3	2,910	2,834
Prince Edward	101	153,173	88,620
Pulaski	7	16,276	3,362
Russell	2,087	3,633,760	3,294,178
Scott	3,703	5,796,141	4,984,229
Smyth	1,384	2,043,208	1,652,648
Tazewell	259	369,468	199,031
Washington	3,925	7,142,619	6,417,421
Wise	189	230,756	85,713
Wythe	35	36,118	17,158
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State Totals	16,861	27,240,512	22,818,321

1/ Final Quota Summary TP-22R 7/11/742/ DSFO PO-6R, 2/12/75

County	1/ Number Allot- ments	1/ Allotted Acreage	2/ Harvested Acreage	1/ Computed Quota (1000 lbs.)	1/ Effective Quota (1000 lbs.)	3/ Pounds Marketed (1000 lbs.)
Amelia	541	999.92	859.46	1,569	1,818	1,428
Appomattox	82	148.51	125.50	251	295	237
Bedford	100	171.46	158.39	272	322	269
Brunswick	1,702	4,949.04	4,337.37	8,277	8,065	7,882
Buckingham	5	6.01	0	7	11	0
Campbell	590	1,598.99	1,404.81	2,825	3,079	2,788
Carroll	30	36.61	16.20	58	88	27
Charlotte	1,173	3,356.80	3,027.61	5,341	5,587	5,324
Chesterfield	147	339.16	251.33	589	624	507
Cumberland	150	254.45	182.11	362	376	277
Dinwiddie	1,070	2,789.22	2,440.69	4,792	5,075	4,648
Franklin	1,069	2,529.58	2,348.80	4,432	5,112	4,470
Goochland	4	8.05	0	11	21	0
Greensville	348	753.22	600.11	1,262	1,253	1,109
Halifax	3,622	14,199.61	12,794.14	22,922	22,217	22,622
Hanover	4	3.97	2.50	5	6	3
Henry	572	1,147.05	906.76	1,708	1,867	1,433
Isle of Wight	5	6.48	0	8	16	0
Lunenburg	1,187	4,478.20	4,136.44	7,171	7,178	7,268
Mecklenburg	2,330	10,346.21	8,774.95	15,909	15,772	15,368
Nansemond	51	136.85	98.27	235	282	160
Nottoway	530	1,183.15	991.61	1,866	1,975	1,742
Patrick	1,003	2,041.81	1,681.79	3,349	3,745	2,780
Pittsylvania	3,826	17,237.32	15,988.37	29,931	31,880	29,352
Powhatan	43	78.23	54.29	110	140	91
Prince Edward	382	804.65	728.56	1,185	1,574	1,008
Prince George	57	109.73	74.49	172	193	145
Southampton	24	67.96	49.12	94	101	69
Sussex	185	438.39	364.03	770	770	747

State Totals	20,832	70,220.63	62,397.70	115,483	119,442	111,754
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1/ Flue-cured Tobacco Final Allotment Summary TB-15R 6/28/74

2/ Report of Harvested Acreage 8/21/74

3/ Summary Recap for Report of Producer Marketing 12/13/74

## 5 SUN-CURED TOBACCO DATA

County	<u>1/</u> Number Allot- ments	<u>1/</u> Allotted Acreage	<u>2/</u> Harvested Acreage	<u>2/</u> Total Production	Yield <u>2/</u> (Pounds Per Acre)
Amelia	106	151.33	35.01	33,824	966
Appomattox	9	7.96	0.93	844	908
Bedford	2	0.77	0	0	0
Brunswick	4	3.12	0.69	252	365
Buckingham	16	23.22	4.89	3,424	700
Campbell	5	3.94	2.13	4,234	1988
Caroline	135	293.61	134.05	220,594	1646
Charlotte	9	6.83	6.78	10,744	1585
Chesterfield	4	8.18	1.08	3,232	2993
Cumberland	72	81.15	30.43	24,792	815
Dinwiddie	7	7.58	6.49	8,458	1303
Essex	5	7.80	4.78	9,566	2001
Fluvanna	45	67.65	25.31	34,432	1360
Franklin	14	11.34	4.36	4,172	957
Goochland	119	206.66	81.40	101,607	1248
Hanover	78	152.78	57.23	60,190	1052
King and Queen	39	67.80	21.19	17,974	848
King William	10	13.11	7.20	6,800	944
Louisa	205	426.51	212.46	301,597	1420
Lunenburg	2	11.02	8.50	8,488	999
Nelson	2	2.02	0	0	0
Nottoway	3	1.98	3.18	1,932	608
Pittsylvania	1	0.50	0.50	656	1312
Powhatan	39	54.69	27.10	34,333	1267
Prince Edward	25	17.79	3.30	2,504	759
State Totals	956	1,629.34	678.99	894,649	1318

1/ County Allotment Summary 3/27/74

2/ Production Summary 3/18/75

## 6 MARYLAND TOBACCO DATA (Not Under Marketing Quotas)

County	Number Farms	Planted Acreage	Total Marketed	Reported Total Un-marketed
Appomattox	4	2.67	2,990	
Brunswick	2	4.70	2,924	
Buckingham	1	1.51	1,288	
Campbell	7	7.17	4,094	
Charlotte	1	2.08	2,816	

MARYLAND TOBACCO DATA (Continued)

County	Number Farms	Planted Acreage	Total Marketed	Reported Total Un-marketed
Craig	1	0.61	650	
Dickenson	1	0.10	158	
Franklin	1	0.97	1,422	
Grayson	3	1.26	1,632	
Halifax	3	3.31	3,414	
Henry	1	0.54	360	
Lee	117	111.14	178,288	
Lunenburg	1	1.20	0	600
Mecklenburg	2	2.50	2,500	
Montgomery	2	0.27	252	
Pittsylvania	3	5.38	6,524	
Prince Edward	2	3.06	7,050	
Russell	86	57.23	98,050	
Scott	59	36.20	45,984	
Smyth	11	7.56	10,048	
Tazewell	2	0.58	1,306	
Washington	128	88.28	140,416	
State Totals	438	338.32	512,166	600

Production Summary 3/18/75

C. THE AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT OF 1973

The Agriculture and Consumer Protection Act of 1973 has brought about another concept in farm programs and established the procedure under which the cotton, feed grain, and wheat crops were handled for 1974.

This Act, which amended the Agricultural Act of 1970 and was signed into law on August 10, 1973, includes the following provisions:

- - The total payments a person can receive under one or more of the wheat, feed grain or upland cotton programs (combined) for the 1974 through 1977 crops shall not exceed \$20,000. This limitation does not apply to CCC purchases or commodity loans available to eligible program participants or any part of any payment which represents compensation for resource adjustments or public access for recreation. The feed grains affected are corn, grain sorghum and, if designated by the Secretary, barley.

- - Established, or "target", prices were initiated in the Act for wheat, feed grains and upland cotton, with payments to eligible producers, based on allotted acres, to be made under specified conditions.

No payment will be made as long as the average market price received by producers during the first five months of the marketing year--or in the case of upland cotton, during the calendar year in which the crop is planted--remains at or above the target level.

If the average market price for the stated period drops below the target level, a payment on the allotment (for cotton, the acreage planted within the allotment) will be made to eligible producers equal to the difference between the target price and the higher of the loan level or the average market price.

The target prices for 1974 and 1975 were set in the Act at 38 cents per pound for upland cotton, \$2.05 per bushel for wheat, and \$1.38 per bushel for corn--with reasonable rates to be set for grain sorghum (and barley, if designated) in relation to the rate for corn.

Target prices for the 1976 and 1977 crop years would be set by taking an established price for each year, and increasing or decreasing it to reflect changes in prices paid by producers as shown by an index or production costs (production items, interest, taxes, and farm wage rates) published by the Department and productivity. Productivity is measured by comparing the most recent national 3-year average for each crop with the 3-year average ending with the preceding year.

- - The Act also authorized "disaster" payments. If an eligible producer of wheat or feed grains is prevented from planting any portion of his allotment to wheat, feed grains or other nonconserving crop or an eligible producer of cotton is prevented from planting any portion of his allotment to cotton because of drought, flood, or other natural disaster, or condition beyond his control, the payment rate for that portion will be the larger of the regular calculated rate or one-third of the target price.

And if, because of the same circumstances, the total quantity of the commodity (or authorized substituted crop) harvested on the farm is substantially less than the "expected production" because of a natural disaster, the payment rate for the deficiency in production below 100 percent will be the larger of the regular calculated rate or one-third of the target price. ("Expected production" is the farm payment yield multiplied by the farm acreage allotment for the grains and the farm base acreage allotment for cotton.)

In 1974, the market price throughout the Nation was above the target level; therefore, there was no deficiency payment for the 1974 crop of cotton, feed grain or wheat. In Virginia 191 applications were filed for disaster credit under the low yield provisions. Sixty-eight of these applications have been determined eligible for payment.

The statistical data concerning the cotton, feed grain and wheat program are provided on the following tables.

1 FARMS EARNING LOW YIELD PAYMENT UNDER DISASTER PAYMENT PROGRAM

FEED GRAIN

<u>County</u>	<u>Barley</u>		<u>Corn</u>		<u>Grain Sorghum</u>	
	<u>No. Farms</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>No. Farms</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>No. Farms</u>	<u>Payment</u>
Amelia	2	\$ 135	2	\$ 265		\$
Appomattox			1	207		
Brunswick	3	92	9	1,489		
Clarke			1	379		
Frederick	2	75	2	896	1	82
Greensville			2	224		
Hanover	7	1,181	8	3,021		
King and Queen			1	1,080		
King William	2	319	3	4,386		
New Kent			3	6,670		
Page	1	26	1	60		
Southampton			8	2,290	1	11
Warren	1	420	1	617		
Wythe			2	552		
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State Totals	18	\$2,248	44	\$22,136	2	\$ 93

<u>County</u>	<u>Wheat</u>		<u>Cotton</u>	
	<u>No. Farms</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>No. Farms</u>	<u>Payment</u>
Amelia	1	\$ 256		\$
Appomattox	4	1,073		
Brunswick	7	791	2	194
Greensville			15	3,390
Hanover	2	627		
Orange	1	122		
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Prince Edward	3	192		
Southampton			1	155
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State Totals	19	\$3,073	18	\$ 3,739

## 2 COTTON

County	Number Allot- ments	Total Allotted Acres	County	Number Allot- ments	Total Allotted Acres
Brunswick	609	1,167.4	Mecklenburg	502	1,127.4
Charlotte	3	3.2	Nansemond	303	896.1
Dinwiddie	52	112.8	Prince Edward	2	2.0
Greensville	619	2,810.7	Prince George	14	21.1
Henrico	1	0.1	Southampton	618	2,913.3
Isle of Wight	49	162.7	Surry	2	2.6
Lunenburg	61	112.3	Sussex	329	1,016.3

Total Number Allotments - 3,164  
Total Allotted Acres - 10,348.0

## 3 FEED GRAIN AND WHEAT DATA

County	FEED GRAIN		WHEAT	
	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres
Accomack	255	4,565	53	593
Albemarle	149	2,025	45	709
Alleghany	92	376	18	71
Amelia	673	6,224	652	5,991
Amherst	208	1,415	78	753
Appomattox	605	5,169	509	4,802
Augusta	828	13,456	427	5,701
Bath	67	518	9	86
Bedford	773	5,551	458	4,465
Bland	207	1,152	91	474
Botetourt	247	2,676	99	880
Brunswick	1,474	9,158	991	4,557
Buchanan	173	301	1	3
Buckingham	577	5,420	489	3,937
Campbell	876	7,697	703	6,827
Caroline	336	5,027	232	4,073
Carroll	287	1,224	18	119
Charles City	60	3,627	41	2,624
Charlotte	1,089	7,324	769	5,819
Chesapeake (City)	481	14,012	180	1,788
Chesterfield	203	2,098	132	1,022
Clarke	208	5,056	110	2,031
Craig	131	633	51	181

## FEED GRAIN AND WHEAT DATA (Continued)

County	FEED GRAIN		WHEAT	
	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres
Culpeper	315	9,890	130	1,417
Cumberland	452	4,046	354	3,104
Dickenson	109	184	0	0
Dinwiddie	1,010	9,270	466	2,689
Essex	409	7,269	289	5,716
Fairfax	51	918	23	400
Fauquier	395	9,235	226	3,056
Floyd	406	1,381	107	412
Fluvanna	140	990	114	895
Franklin	978	5,986	572	3,649
Frederick	296	4,680	154	1,939
Giles	85	467	23	163
Gloucester	181	4,309	55	522
Goochland	217	3,540	149	1,079
Grayson	379	1,581	44	121
Greene	132	1,191	57	492
Greensville	662	9,926	129	445
Halifax	2,662	16,290	1,955	12,926
Hampton (City)	1	12	0	3
Hanover	513	7,486	374	4,903
Henrico	87	2,879	60	1,417
Henry	378	2,032	149	774
Highland	41	160	20	74
Isle of Wight	834	18,139	70	409
James City	65	1,768	29	563
King and Queen	466	6,564	190	2,250
King George	172	3,458	120	2,018
King William	249	6,771	113	2,197
Lancaster	387	3,815	109	933
Lee	1,227	4,659	133	735
Loudoun	560	14,049	317	5,066
Louisa	387	3,588	289	2,497
Lunenburg	914	5,625	621	3,300
Madison	354	6,322	145	1,340
Mathews	184	973	41	163
Mecklenburg	1,894	15,623	1,549	9,288
Middlesex	477	3,729	167	1,465
Montgomery	227	2,483	94	519
Nansemond	965	19,893	127	1,153
Nelson	203	1,367	53	540
New Kent	78	3,442	44	1,278
Newport News (City)	1	37	0	0

## FEED GRAIN AND WHEAT DATA (Continued)

County	FEED GRAIN		WHEAT	
	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres	Number Allot- ments	Allotted Acres
Northampton	100	1,376	20	193
Northumberland	732	9,665	382	4,035
Nottoway	575	4,167	429	2,555
Orange	313	5,580	155	1,622
Page	292	4,949	168	2,161
Patrick	892	4,362	190	554
Pittsylvania	3,089	20,254	2,508	19,714
Powhatan	177	1,829	89	622
Prince Edward	773	5,708	667	5,852
Prince George	400	6,976	139	1,322
Prince William	169	2,668	85	1,079
Pulaski	159	2,098	49	303
Rappahannock	105	1,711	40	575
Richmond	462	4,828	274	3,272
Roanoke	59	1,005	19	314
Rockbridge	264	2,867	118	1,488
Rockingham	709	10,222	320	4,752
Russell	923	4,174	148	729
Scott	1,116	2,734	158	456
Shenandoah	426	7,006	252	2,473
Smyth	521	3,254	110	599
Southampton	1,215	31,021	198	1,293
Spotsylvania	186	2,417	99	1,056
Stafford	93	1,319	40	735
Surry	476	10,477	101	554
Sussex	700	13,333	177	1,159
Tazewell	287	2,343	63	640
Virginia Beach (City)	371	8,825	237	2,798
Warren	109	2,087	76	1,201
Washington	1,427	7,789	284	1,476
Westmoreland	550	8,706	365	5,529
Wise	70	256	0	0
Wythe	501	5,317	198	1,649
York	23	253	6	71
(Reserve)				97
State Totals	47,806	532,307	23,981	212,344

## D. BEEKEEPER INDEMNITY PAYMENT PROGRAM

In 1971 USDA established the Beekeeper Indemnity Payment Program. This program helps those beekeepers who have lost or had damage to their bees because of the use of pesticides.

The beekeeper must file a written report with the county office by July 15, each year. This is to establish the maximum number of colonies and queen nuclei for which payment will be made each year. The report must include the number of bee colonies and queen nuclei and their location.

Beekeepers may file a claim for indemnification on the basis of an established rate per colony damaged. The payment rates are: \$22.50 for destroyed, \$15.00 for severely damaged, \$7.50 for moderately damaged; and \$7.50 for each queen nucleus destroyed.

In order to receive payment for damage to his bees a beekeeper must:

- A. File an application for payment by April 1 of the year following the year in which the loss occurred.
- B. Obtain and furnish proof of loss claimed.
- C. Submit evidence so the COC can determine whether the loss of bees occurred through no fault of the beekeeper and as a result of the use of registered pesticides near or adjacent to the beekeeper's beehives.
- D. Submit evidence which will enable the COC to determine that he took reasonable steps to protect his bees from loss from pesticides.

Four indemnity payments were made in Virginia for \$757.50 during the calendar year 1974.

#### E. INFORMATION PROGRAM

The role of the information program in a county plays a vital part in the administration of ASCS programs. How meaningful these programs are to the agricultural community depends upon how well the county office does its job of explaining program provisions, objectives, and benefits to farmers and interested segments of the public.

To the end result of every person in the State having access to the information we have to offer, many means are utilized. These include newsletters, postcards, newspaper, radio, television, public appearances, etc. The method and means will vary greatly from county to county, depending upon programs applicable to the county, consistency of population, and availability of news media. The method and style will also vary depending upon the personality of the individuals concerned.

In Virginia we have a very active and aggressive program. The following chart summarizes the activity of the County Executive Directors during the calendar year 1974.

# INFORMATIONAL ACTIVITY

	<u>Newsletters</u>	<u>Press Releases</u>	<u>Radio Programs</u>	<u>Radio Spots</u>	<u>T.V.</u>	<u>Other</u>
January	117	376	614	59	1	29
February	127	430	592	298	9	40
March	134	403	604	348	12	42
April	132	383	612	296	1	25
May	117	346	584	440	1	20
June	135	332	583	737	1	16
July	121	336	577	448	0	14
August	110	258	589	146	1	26
September	107	335	600	133	1	20
October	115	444	550	372	1	14
November	119	405	572	696	0	14
December	103	432	572	610	1	8
Totals	1,437	4,480	7,049	4,583	29	268

## SECTION VI - ACREAGE COMPLIANCE

The success of allotment, marketing quota, and price support programs is dependent on obtaining accurate reports of compliance. Essential to this is a well-planned efficient program to insure accurate and timely determinations of acreages.

Aerial photographs are used in all counties in the measurement of acreages since this has proved to be the most economical and accurate method of determining acreages. The photographs used are printed to an accurate scale of 660 or 1,000 feet per inch. The scale accuracy of the photographs is controlled at the time they are printed by the application of accurate ground control lines measured between identifiable landmarks on the photographs.

The producer certification method of acreage compliance was used for all programs. The burley and flue tobacco programs, being a poundage-quota system, do not require acreage certifications or field checks. Producer certification places the responsibility of acreage determination of the producer. The farmer's report is not an estimate or a report of intentions, but the actual acreage utilized based on the best information available to the farmer. In order for the producer to be in a position to report accurately, ASCS furnished him several tools - measurement service, photocopies, and counter service.

Measurement service includes the staking of areas before planting or measurement of crops after planting. The entire cost of this service is paid by the producer. All counties offered measurement service in 1973 and service was completed on 11,341 allotments and/or other land uses.

After an application for staking service is received, a reporter visits the farm; and with the assistance of the producer, the field or the areas are measured and staked before the crop is planted. By planting within the staked area, the farmer is assured of planting the entire allotment; and at the same time, eliminates the risk of overplanting. Measurement service for other purposes affords the producer the opportunity of knowing the acreage of each field or for all fields on the farm. It also affords him the opportunity to have his crop measured as soon as planted and to make any adjustment that is necessary.

Photocopies are made for a farm by outlining the farm and field boundaries on an aerial photograph, numbering each field and determining the acreage and posting it within the boundaries of the field. The area of the photograph covering the farm is then copied through a photo-direct process to prepare a master and several photocopies are printed by an offset duplicator. These photocopies show all the details of the photograph as well as field numbers and acreages. The acreages shown are used as official acreages for ASCS programs unless the boundaries are changed.

As producers sign up in the various programs, photocopies are given the producer at the counter. Acreages and plans for planting are discussed at the time as an aid to the producer in making his acreage determinations

to support his compliance certification after planting of the crop. The photocopy is again reviewed with the producer at the time he reports his compliance to insure that his determinations are correct. If any doubt exists concerning the accuracy of his determinations, measurement service is offered and recommended.

Flying on new aerial photography has been completed for 18 counties: Accomack, Albemarle, Augusta, Carroll, Floyd, Grayson, Lee, Loudoun, Northampton, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Russell, Scott, Shenandoah, Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, and Wythe. These counties will receive 1000' scale photography. The shift from 660' scale photography to 1000' scale is due mainly because of cost factor and improved camera techniques which have resulted in a much clearer image.

In 1974, 112 reporters were employed who made over 8,800 determinations. These determinations involved measurement service, initial compliance determinations, and administrative control visits on farms where compliance was determined by producer certification.

A total of 51 field appraisals was completed for the disaster payment program. The Federal Crop Insurance Corporation provided initial assistance on training and performed the first spot check on each crew leader after that crew leader had made an appraisal. Twenty men were trained to do appraisal work in Virginia, including four crew leaders.

The table which follows shows the number of acreage determinations made in 1974.

#### NUMBER OF ACREAGE DETERMINATIONS IN 1974

Crop or Program	Number Measurement Service	Number Farm Certifications Accepted	Number of Administrative Checks of Farmer Certifications
Cotton	4	124	10
Peanuts	4,184	5,233	486
Tobacco-Burley	5		
Flue	2,133		
Fire	335	2,227	183
Sun	4	349	39
Nonquota	3	736	736
REAP	0	9,651	656
CMS (Vendors)	0	184	98
Other (including CAP, Feed Grain & Wheat)	10	618	123
Visual Inspections (1973 REAP, ECM, CAP, RECP, ALSCP)			500
State Totals	6,678	19,122	2,831

## SECTION VII

### A. PRICE SUPPORT ACTIVITY

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

Commodity Credit Corporation makes loans available on agricultural commodities to eligible producers. Commodities supported through loans are peanuts, corn, wheat, barley, grain sorghum, soybeans, rye, oats, tobacco, and honey.

Support operations are usually conducted for CCC by ASCS, which carries out much of its work through State and county offices. Loans are made directly to farmers through county offices. Approved storage may be structures on or off the farm, or country, or terminal warehouses.

The commodity itself, serves as collateral for the loan, and on maturity, the producer may elect to deliver the commodity to CCC or repay the loan in full. Of course, they may be redeemed anytime prior to maturity if so desired. The interest rate is 9.375% per annum, effective 10/1/74, on the unpaid balance. This rate may be adjusted at the discretion of CCC every six months. The interest rate in effect for the 1974 crop prior to 10/1/74 was 7.25%.

If the farmer chooses not to repay a loan, he delivers the commodity to CCC if farm stored; or if warehouse stored CCC takes title. Ordinarily the loan, including interest, is satisfied.

A summary of activity by counties for 1974 crops is listed. Data represents loans made in 1974 and does not include any loans made on the 1974 crops after 12/31/74.

#### 2 1974 BARLEY

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Amelia	1	7,817	\$ 7,035
Appomattox	1	2,700	2,430
Charlotte	1	923	831
Cumberland	2	5,356	4,820
Essex	1	4,320	3,898
Fauquier	1	2,495	2,245
Hanover	1	12,262	11,036
Henrico	1	1,615	1,453
King George	1	18,000	16,200
Lancaster	1	5,863	5,277

## 1974 BARLEY (Continued)

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Lunenburg	1	900	\$ 810
Northumberland	1	6,512	5,861
Orange	1	978	880
Prince Edward	1	1,620	1,458
Shenandoah	1	1,801	1,621
State Totals	16	73,162	\$65,855

## 3 1974 CORN

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Appomattox	2	6,190	\$ 7,923
Bedford	1	3,960	5,069
Brunswick	2	3,595	4,602
Charles City	1	30,760	39,373
Charlotte	2	7,110	9,101
Chesapeake (City)	4	26,691	34,164
Chesterfield	1	2,240	2,580
Culpeper	7	55,542	71,094
Cumberland	7	28,076	35,935
Dinwiddie	1	4,580	5,862
Essex	4	24,120	30,884
Fauquier	4	37,601	47,373
Goochland	5	13,026	16,673
Greensville	2	7,920	10,138
Halifax	1	3,000	3,840
Hanover	6	29,486	37,742
Isle of Wight	2	14,220	18,202
King George	3	33,451	42,817
Lancaster	5	34,128	43,684
Loudoun	1	15,321	19,610
Madison	7	53,830	68,702
Nansemond	13	70,045	89,657
New Kent	1	19,915	25,391
Northumberland	2	5,376	6,881
Orange	1	289	370
Patrick	2	6,199	7,935
Prince Edward	2	7,240	9,267

## 1974 CORN (Continued)

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Prince George	5	14,697	\$ 18,812
Rockingham	1	21,205	27,142
Southampton	20	119,114	152,465
Surry	17	124,880	159,846
Sussex	9	50,519	64,664
Westmoreland	2	8,742	11,190
State Totals	143	883,068	\$1,128,988

## 4 1974 GRAIN SORGHUM

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (cwt.)	Amount Loaned
Cumberland	1	2,300	\$ 4,462
Northumberland	1	5,448	10,569
State Totals	2	7,748	\$15,031

## 5 1974 HONEY

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (lbs.)	Amount Loaned
Pittsylvania	2	54,054	\$11,568
State Totals	2	54,054	\$11,568

## 6 1974 OATS

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Orange	1	540	\$346
Shenandoah	1	261	167
State Totals	2	801	\$513

## 7 1974 PEANUTS

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (cwt.)	Amount Loaned
Nansemond	3	8,488	\$157,876
Prince George	2	132	2,455
Southampton	12	8,516	158,428
Surry	3	344	6,398
Sussex	2	1,036	19,271
State Totals	22	18,516	\$344,428

## 8 1974 SOYBEANS

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Amelia	4	8,082	\$ 17,861
Brunswick	1	1,530	3,397
Chesterfield	1	1,667	3,330
Essex	2	4,320	9,547
Hanover	5	20,124	44,877
Henrico	1	1,473	3,270
Henry	1	630	1,396
Isle of Wight	1	1,800	4,032
King George	2	12,152	26,856
Mecklenburg	2	2,140	4,708
Nansemond	4	15,677	35,115
New Kent	1	2,524	5,566
Northumberland	2	4,770	10,542
Powhatan	1	3,300	6,564
Prince George	2	4,365	9,690
Southampton	3	3,397	7,575
Surry	2	3,411	7,641
Sussex	4	8,724	19,367
State Totals	39	100,086	\$221,334

## 9 1974 WHEAT

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Amelia	5	13,162	\$ 18,164
Appomattox	3	10,035	13,848

## 1974 WHEAT (Continued)

County	No. Loans	Total Under Loan (bu.)	Amount Loaned
Brunswick	9	15,690	\$ 21,652
Buckingham	7	4,373	5,841
Charles City	1	4,215	5,816
Charlotte	2	3,759	5,197
Chesapeake (City)	2	11,700	17,784
Chesterfield	1	2,454	3,387
Culpeper	2	5,655	7,804
Cumberland	6	5,289	7,140
Fauquier	1	2,000	2,760
Goochland	1	1,791	2,472
Hanover	5	16,201	22,240
Henrico	1	2,460	3,395
Henry	1	1,800	2,484
King George	1	2,199	3,035
Lancaster	1	4,230	5,837
Loudoun	3	9,478	13,079
Lunenburg	2	3,000	3,726
Mecklenburg	4	4,508	6,221
Nansemond	1	3,576	4,935
New Kent	1	4,056	5,577
Northumberland	1	360	497
Orange	1	1,018	1,405
Page	1	990	1,366
Prince George	3	1,427	1,969
State Totals	66	135,426	\$187,631

1 INTRODUCTION

Loans are made available through county ASCS offices for farmers to purchase and install storage structures and drying equipment needed on the farm.

Purchases must be made through an approved vendor. The maximum loan is 70% of the eligible net cost. Loans are for a period of 5 years, and are repaid in four equal annual installments. The interest rate effective October 1, 1974 was 9.375% per annum on the unpaid balance with an adjustable period for revising this rate every six months. The rate prior to 10/1/74 for loans made in 1974 was 8.75%.

Storage capacity on Virginia farms has increased steadily over the past few years. Of course, this report reflects only that storage reported through our loan program. Repayment of loans has been excellent.

Activity is listed, showing individual loans by county for calendar year 1974.

# 2 1974 STORAGE STRUCTURE LOAN PROGRAM

County	1974 Activity			Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)
Accomack	3	22,777	\$ 19,497	23	160,163
Albemarle				3	25,150
Amelia	6	20,641	18,443	72	270,604
Appomattox	3	24,120	13,348	11	56,882
Augusta				18	81,682
Bath				2	9,750
Bedford	2	14,716	5,437	18	59,165
Bland				1	2,200
Botetourt	1	3,250	2,760	8	41,885
Brunswick	4	13,878	10,030	81	226,357
Buckingham	1	5,503	4,218	20	63,969
Campbell	6	14,077	13,096	22	69,703
Caroline				22	111,755
Charles City				40	222,769
Charlotte	5	15,911	11,801	38	151,664
Chesapeake (City)	2	35,648	12,664	58	433,131
Chesterfield				16	52,055
Clarke				8	24,497
Craig	1	6,000	4,084	2	8,200
Culpeper				14	115,280
Cumberland	4	41,389	22,207	30	133,448
Dinwiddie				52	217,620
Essex	4	28,532	17,961	41	242,346
Fauquier				12	36,594
Franklin	3	12,880	11,273	4	16,200
Frederick				8	29,650
Gloucester	6		23,407	32	177,014
Goochland	1	40,425	3,000	17	104,778
Greene		6,755		3	14,105

# 1974 STORAGE STRUCTURE LOAN PROGRAM (Continued)

County	1974 Activity			Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)
Greenville	7	51,979	\$26,482	100	475,504
Halifax	2	7,131	11,305	15	71,830
Hampton (City)				1	1,000
Hanover				100	382,835
Henrico	1	6,700	3,609	25	98,648
Henry	1	5,104	4,266	4	18,314
Isle of Wight	6	46,647	23,820	107	542,022
James City	2	10,610	8,108	7	40,444
King and Queen				22	173,471
King George	2	19,534	11,918	18	62,194
King William	3	16,980	13,892	22	142,655
Lancaster	2	21,542	12,614	53	286,323
Loudoun	2	44,300	12,737	24	225,268
Louisa				9	40,241
Lunenburg				27	69,178
Madison				14	90,820
Mathews				5	23,530
Mecklenburg	8	27,900	19,608	59	155,611
Middlesex	6	50,947	38,889	21	165,881
Montgomery				2	4,710
Nansemond	4	57,090	21,111	184	881,367
Nelson	2	10,156	5,389	5	22,420
New Kent	5	38,560	26,831	20	85,217
Northampton	1	37,500	19,591	13	82,372
Northumberland	4	32,745	14,368	58	290,617
Nottoway	2	4,450	6,697	15	61,975
Orange				9	62,910
Page				11	36,510
Patrick				8	24,590

1974 STORAGE STRUCTURE LOAN PROGRAM (Continued)

County	1974 Activity			Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	Capacity (Bushels)
Pittsylvania	3	17,975	\$11,400	9	40,546
Powhatan	6	9,496	12,884	13	64,292
Prince Edward	7	32,186	16,764	32	81,290
Prince George	2	20,700	9,222	56	253,278
Prince William				3	25,440
Pulaski				2	11,800
Rappahannock	4	26,434	15,048	1	3,000
Richmond				51	198,213
Rockbridge	3	17,577	13,532	2	7,134
Rockingham				29	91,311
Russell				3	13,000
Shenandoah				4	10,480
Smyth				1	3,250
Southampton	11	63,200	43,475	372	1,788,618
Spotsylvania	1	2,200	3,053	3	11,520
Stafford				9	41,715
Surry	10	38,482	19,130	173	889,578
Sussex	11	72,907	32,113	121	782,218
Tazewell				1	3,285
Virginia Beach (City)	2	44,546	19,445	24	225,001
Warren				1	3,200
Westmoreland	7	46,312	23,283	42	233,390
Wythe				3	8,350
York				1	6,552
State Totals	179	1,188,392	\$693,810	2,590	12,573,534

### 3 1974 DRYING EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM

County	1974 Activity		Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	
Accomack			7	
Albemarle			10	
Augusta			5	
Bath			1	
Bedford			2	
Brunswick	10	\$43,472	56	
Buckingham			4	
Campbell	1	454	5	
Caroline			1	
Charles City			16	
Charlotte	4	8,158	16	
Chesapeake (City)	1	3,780	15	
Chesterfield			4	
Clarke			1	
Culpeper			10	
Cumberland	1	1,050	6	
Dinwiddie			15	
Essex			6	
Fairfax			1	
Fauquier	1	5,322	3	
Fluvanna			1	
Franklin			10	
Frederick			2	
Gloucester	2	4,744	24	
Goochland			2	
Greensville	4	12,787	87	
Halifax	1	4,000	10	
Hanover	2	10,529	25	
Henrico			1	
Isle of Wight	7	33,684	141	
King and Queen			9	

1974 DRYING EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM (Continued)

County	1974 Activity		Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	
King George	1	\$ 1,099		4
King William	2	1,350		7
Lancaster				14
Louisa				2
Lunenburg	10	44,602		84
Madison				4
Mathews				1
Mecklenburg	16	66,195		47
Middlesex				1
Nansemond	10	44,610		149
Nelson	1	4,007		1
New Kent				6
Northampton				4
Northumberland				4
Nottoway				8
Orange	1	3,780		1
Page				3
Patrick	2	6,923		4
Pittsylvania				20
Powhatan				1
Prince Edward	1	1,105		1
Prince George	4	13,300		39
Rappahannock				1
Richmond				8
Rockbridge				1
Rockingham				9
Shenandoah	2	8,945		3
Southampton	9	39,124		342
Spotsylvania				1
Stafford				4

1974 DRYING EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM (Continued)

County	1974 Activity		Total Program as of December 31, 1974	
	No. Loans Made	Amount Loaned	No. Loans Made	
Surry	19	\$41,095	163	
Sussex	16	61,970	169	
Virginia Beach (City)	1	9,999	4	
Westmoreland	1	4,500	8	
State Totals	130	\$480,584	1,614	

#### 4 SS AND DE LOANS THROUGH 1974

##### Storage Structure:

No. Loans	2,590
Loaned	\$6,263,253
Losses	\$ 1,566
Percent of Loss	.025%

##### Wet Storage:

No. Loans	18
Loaned	\$ 109,381

##### Drying Equipment:

No. Loans	1,614
Loaned	\$4,894,838
Losses	\$ 4,170
Percent of Loss	.085%

##### Combined Programs:

No. Loans	4,222
Loaned	\$11,267,472
Losses	\$ 5,736
Percent of Loss	.051%

Loans Outstanding:	1,534
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Money Outstanding:	\$3,611,847
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### C. WOOL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

This program was born in 1953, with the primary purpose of encouraging more wool production by offering sheep farmers incentive payments on unshorn lambs and shorn wool.

Payments are made to bring the average price for wool received by all producers in the United States up to the announced incentive level. Payments are usually made in April, following the previous marketing year. The support price for wool in 1973 was 72¢ per pound. The average price received by producers exceeded this figure, consequently, no payments were made in 1974 on 1973 marketed wool and unshorn lambs.

### D. WOOL REFERENDUM

A mail referendum was conducted in November, 1974, to determine if wool and lamb producers wanted USDA to continue to make deductions from wool payments for use by the American Sheep Producers Council for advertising and sales promotion programs for wool and lambs.

Twelve hundred (1200) eligible voters in Virginia owning 73,556 sheep favored the agreement and two hundred ten (210) producers owning 16,050 sheep voted against the proposal.





